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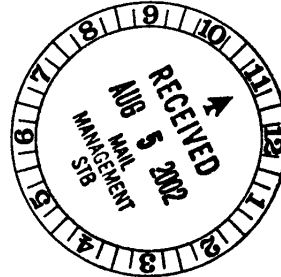
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**VIA AIRBORNE EXPRESS**

Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
Mercury Building  
1925 K Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20423



Re: **Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 596X)**  
**CSX Transportation, Inc. – Abandonment**  
**Exemption in Lorain County, Ohio**

Dear Sir:

This letter is in reference to the above captioned proceeding wherein the Board granted permission for the abandonment of approximately 1.17 miles of railroad from Milepost BJ-161.00 to Milepost BJ-162.17. In the Board's decision, the Board required CSX Transportation, Inc. ("CSXT") to file a notice of consummation with the Board by August 24, 2002. CSXT hereby requests an extension on the consummation date until November 25, 2002. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Please feel free to contact my office if you have any questions or concerns about this matter.

Very truly yours,

*Natalie S. Rosenberg*  
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